

Oceanway School Monthly Newsletter

John A. Cochran, Principal

OCTOBER, 2010

"ANCHORED ON ACHIEVEMENT"



Coach celebrates his retirement with some Oceanway kids!

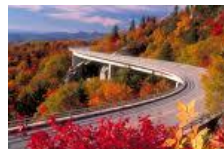
PRINCIPAL'S CORNER:



After a great Open House and a good effort by the EXCEL Teams, we are looking forward to another great year! Please join me in wishing Coach Jamison all the best in his Retirement as indicated above, it is a time to celebrate. .

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OFFICE HOURS: Our front office is open 8:30-4:30 pm.



FALL

OCEANWAY NEW TOY= TEACHER OF THE YEAR!!
MRS. JACQUELYN CINOTTI



We are proud of you and we are thankful for all that you do!!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:

Our Community Education Program (AM CARE) is underway each weekday morning from 7:30 am-9:30 am for parents who need to bring their children to school early. Your child can report as early as 7:30 am for morning supervision. Each child must be registered in this program to be eligible to come in to the program. The cost is \$85.00 every 20 days. If you are interested please see or call Ms. Foust or Ms. Adkins at 714-4680. Students are not allowed on the school grounds before 9:20 am unless they are enrolled in this program.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR OCTOBER:

OCTOBER 6TH	EARLY RELEASE - NO CHECK OUTS AFTER 2:15 PM
OCTOBER 20	EARLY RELEASE - NO CHECKS OUTS AFTER 2:15
OCTOBER 25TH	PLANNING DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

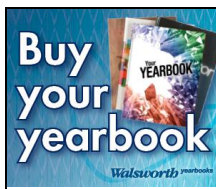
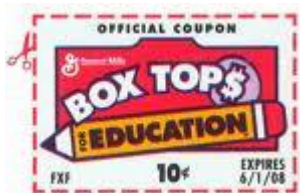
REMINDERS FOR THE YEAR:

- School hours for students – 9:45 am-4:00 pm
- Please make afternoon travel arrangements for your child before they come to school daily – please do not call unless it is an unusual arrangement
- Phone calls to your child is not accepted
- No early checkout after 3:40 pm
- Calls will not be transferred into classrooms
- Parents should not text their child during the day – phones must be OFF

IMPORTANT WEBSITES FOP THE YEAR:

Kimberlykappel.com ---this will take you to the website for the school which has pertinent information for the school year. Teacher's websites will also be listed here...

REQUEST FROM MS. MARTIN – ANY STUDENT WHO HAS STANDARDS BASED PROMOTION PROGRAM, COURSE RECOVERY, GRADE RECOVERY OR RESEARCH 2 WITH MS. MARTIN VIA COMPASS LEARNING ODYSSEY, MUST HAVE HEAPHONES!!!



BUY YEARBOOK ON LINE ON SCHOOL WEBSITE!!!

NOW COLLECTING BOXTOPS!!!!

Parents, you may not realize that Oceanway Middle is a box top school too! We collect box tops all year round and they are making our school a better place for your children. Just clip off box tops from thousands of participating items and have your child bring them to anyone of their elective teachers. You can also sign up to be an Oceanway Middle School supporter online at www.boxtops4education.com – HAPPY CLIPPING!

PHONE CALLS FROM PARENTS:

Parents, please be reminded that we have **CONSTANT** phone calls from parents wanting to call their child out of class to talk on the phone. This interrupts important class time for all students and the teacher. Please work with us to take care of conversations with your child before they leave home in the morning. Also, students' phones must be turned "OFF" in the school – not on "silent". Phones that are on will be taken away and parents will need to come into the school to pick the phone up...

OUR OUTDOOR TREE CLASSROOM



NJHS, 4-H Club and the Garden Club all worked together to help pull weeds and clean up our outdoor tree class room. With the high humidity and summer temperatures, this was not a pleasant experience, but the kids worked hard to preserve this gift to our school. Ms. Kazmierski, the Jaxport representative brought us a cooler of much needed cold water. Thanks to Ms. Timmons and Mr. B.

PTA

We have tentatively scheduled a general assembly meeting of the PTA to move forward with new officers and a fresh start for PTA. I will be contacting parents that signed up at our Open House through email, although any other interested parents may attend. Thanks!

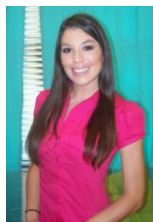
MATH FIELD DAY:

The math field day will be Saturday, November 20th – Oceanway's Extreme Team needs competitors. Please contact Mr. McDonald at mcdonaldc3@duvalschools.org or 714-4680 Ext. 167. Parents, please support our TEAM!!!

TEXT BOOKS:

If you child has any text books from last year at home, please have them return them ASAP. All students should have this year's textbooks for homework at home by this time.

INTRODUCING MORE NEW FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS TO OCEANWAY SCHOOL



Ms. Coleman



Mr. Vaine



Officer Brook & Mr. Brown



Ms. Hill



Dr. Fenning

EXCEL (Extending Class Time to Ensure Learning):

Excel classes are now 1 hour sessions on Thursdays. These EXCEL tutorials are used to re-teach essential standards, offer pyramid support, provide homework help, make up assignments, conference with students, and offer enrichment and extracurricular opportunities. There will be intervention sessions to help kids that need more guidance. Students not required to attend tutorials will earn the privilege to attend an open tutorial session, study in the gym/cafe, attend enrichment opportunities, or earn an extended breaks.

Our enrichment classes include: Silent reading, Diji-Tizers, Photo Gurus, Great Debaters vs. FW, Essay Writing, Latin Music/Dance, US/Canada Project, Counseling, Homework Help, Classroom help, Math help, bring your guitar, Paper parachutes, Animated Math, Native Tube, Position Motion, Internet Access, Your Amazing Body, Science Help, Garden Club, 25 Book Goal and Creative Crafts. Many of these classes are open to specific grades and are based on first come basis.



We look forward in making a difference with the EXCEL sessions this school year!

OCEAN WAY FOOTBALL



OCEANWAY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

October 4, 2010	Arlington Middle	@ Arlington	5:00 pm
October 11, 2010	Rescheduled in-school game w/ Mayport		2:30 pm
October 18, 2010	Kernan Middle	HOME	5:00 pm
October 26, 2010	Ft. Caroline Middle	HOME	5:00 pm
November 1, 2010	Fletcher Middle	HOME	5:00 pm

Head Coach: Joshua Hammond (hammondj@duvalschools.org)

Asst. Coaches: Corey Jackson, Rey Jimenez, Ronnie Butts & Heather Albritton

Athletic Director: Crystal Emery (emeryc@duvalschools.org)

BOOK FAIR



The Fall Book Fair begins next Tuesday, Oct. 5 and runs through Monday, Oct. 11th.

GRADECAM IS COMING SOON!



The online version of the Grade Cam software should be ready in about 4 weeks. If you are eager to get started and want to use the standalone version (you would have to input your classes manually) then let Mr. Conner know.

CHICK -FIL- A COW CALENDERS: ATHLETIC DEPT



**SEE MS. EASTER TO ORDER
CALENDERS NOW!!!**

**SEE MS. INA TO BUY SPIRIT CUPS TO
BENEFIT CHEERLEADING**

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4H RECYCLES EVERY TUESDAY... REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR RECYCLE BIN OUT !!

Coach Jamison's Retirement



On September 30, 2010 the principal, administrators, staff and teachers had the opportunity to honor the Coach Jamison with a retirement get together. There were many kind words, jokes, laughter, tears and appreciation from many staff members and fellow coaches for the many years of service coach served schools in our district. Coach Jamsion's lovely wife and family were here to support him. He will be dearly missed by the faculty, staff and the students of Oceanway Middle. However, as evident by the out pouring of affection at the retirement party, the coach has made a positive impact in many live's in and away from our school. We do not expect that his passion for children will deminish even in his retirement years. We thank you for sharing your gifts with us at Oceanway.



HAPPY RETIREMENT ... come visit us anytime!!